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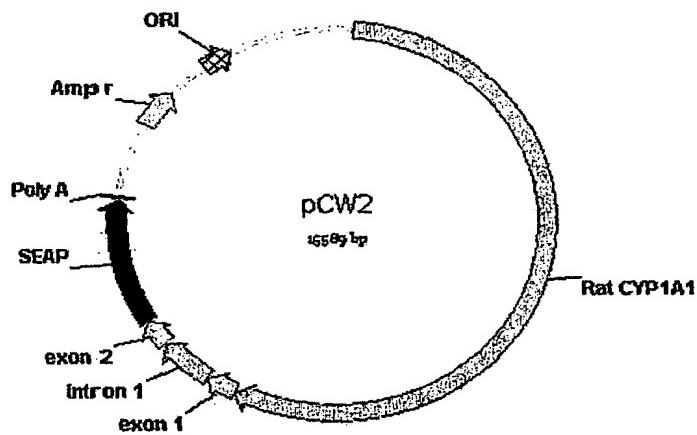
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a reporter system comprising a reporter gene encoding a reporter protein that is secretable from cells in which it is produced or expressed either *in vitro* or *in vivo* and excreted in a body fluid from whole animals comprising such systems. The reporter system is useful for the detection of gene activation events or biochemical changes related to, or that occur, as a result of altered metabolic or disease status or toxicological stress in toxicological screening.

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